

DRAINAGE AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN- PUBLIC REVIEW

A draft of the Drainage Area Management Plan (DAMP) for the portion of Riverside County under the jurisdiction of the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) has been prepared and is available for public comment. The DAMP, when approved by the Executive Officer of the Regional Board will specify the revised elements of the area-wide municipal stormwater management program. The draft DAMP has been prepared by the County of Riverside, the Cities of Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Lake Elsinore, Moreno Valley, Murrieta, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, and the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (Permittees). The DAMP is being prepared by the Permittees in compliance with the requirements of their area-wide municipal Urban Runoff permit. These requirements are specified in Section XIII.A. of Order No. R8-2002-0011 issued by the Regional Board on October 25, 2002. That Order can be viewed at website: www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb8/html/riverside_permit.html.

A draft of the DAMP will be posted on the Permittees' web sites from November 2 through December 1 for public review. A workshop to discuss the draft DAMP will be held on Wednesday, November 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District offices located at 1995 Market Street, Riverside, California. Comments regarding the Riverside County WQMP are requested by December 1, 2004. In completing the DAMP, the Permittees will address public comments prior to submittal to the Regional Board by January 1, 2005. Comments received after December 1 will be addressed as time allows.

Please forward comments regarding the draft DAMP to Tom Rheiner at (951) 955-2901, tmrheiner@co.riverside.ca.us or Jason Uhley at (951) 955-1273, juhley@co.riverside.ca.us. Written comments can also be mailed to Mr. Rheiner, c/o Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, 1995 Market Street, Riverside, CA 92501.